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[Despatch Abstract.]

Abkari – Mangalore – Municipal Council – Closure of Liquor Shops – Orders passed

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DEPARTMENT.

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Subject

South Kanara District - Mangalore Municipal Council - removal of shops outside the Municipal limits - Endorsement of the Collector of South Kanara, N.Dis.No. 4705-22-V.4, dated 6-8-22.

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D. No. 488 Abkari/22.

Station Madras., *Dated the* 18th August 1922.

From

The Board of Revenue, ~~Land Revenue~~ Revenue Settlement, ~~xxtax~~ Separate Revenue.

N.E.Marjoribanks Esq., C.B.I., C.I.E., I.C.S.,
Ag: 2nd Member, Board of Revenue and
Commissioner of Salt, Abkari and Separate Revenue,

~~Resolution~~ Reference.

Submitted to Government.

2. The Board has little to add to the cogent remarks of the Collector. Whatever may have been the motives of the persons who passed the resolution its adoption will result only in the creation of secret drinking dens, which will make for excess rather than reduction in drinking. It is apparent that there is a large demand for liquor and adequate means of providing licitly for this demand are necessary.

(True Extract)

Ag: Secretary.

To the Secretary to Govt. Revenue Deptt. with(1) file and its enclosures.

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S. CANARA COLLR'S OFFICE
No. 4705-22-V4
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Subject.

Submitting copy of the Resolution passed by the Mangalore Municipal Council. Re abolition of arrack and toddy shops from within the Municipal limits.

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C. R. No. 384

Station Mangalore, *Dated the* 28th July 1922.

From (Name) M. R. Ry. Nellikai Venkata Rao avl
(Designation) Chairman, Municipal Council Mangalore

To The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Local self Government Department.
Through the Collector of S. Kanara.

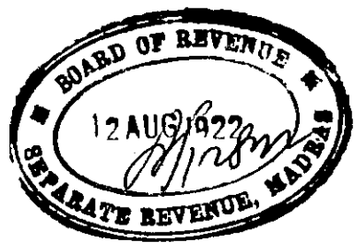
Sir,

I have the honor to submit herewith for the consideration and orders of Government a Copy of the Resolution passed by the Municipal Council at its meeting held on the 26th Inst, regarding abolition of arrack and toddy shops from within the Municipal limits of Mangalore. M. 607 below.

(X) I also enclose herein nine lists in respect of the nine wards of the town containing the request of the rate-payers for the abolition of

the shops. The request has been signed by about 70 per cent of the registered voters.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant.



Chairman M.C.

ABKARI 2433

N.Dis. No. 4705-22-V4

Submitted to the Government, Local Self-Government -- Department, through the Board of Revenue, Separate Revenue, Madras.

2. There are at present 8 arrack shops and 7 toddy shops within the municipal limits and their rentals during the three years 18-19, 19-20 and 20-21 are shown below. The official year 1921-22 was an unfortunate year for the Abkari Department owing to the Non-Cooperation and temperance movements and it is therefore left out of account. The quantity of arrack consumed in the arrack shops & the number of trees marked for the toddy shops during the three years are also given below to show the importance of these shops.

* Year.	Arrack shops.		Toddy shops.		
	Annual rentals. Rs.	Consumption. Gals.@35° U.P.	Annual rentals. Rs.	No. of trees marked. C.	P.
1918-19	6 - 14,688	16,047	8 - 28,236	5,192	838
1919-20	8 - 20,232	23,635	7 - 37,260	5,269	1076
1920-21	8 - 21,168	19,093	7 - 40,140	5,338	1013

* Official year in the case of arrack shops and toddy lease year in the case of toddy shops.

3. Inspite of the facilities these shops offer to people who want a drink, almost every soda water shop in the town is being used as an arrack shop to supply liquor to those who do not like to go to ordinary arrack shops and rub shoulders with the common folk, and this has become a scandal here. The effect of re-

removing the shops outside the town limits and to more distant places can therefore be well imagined.

4. The experiment of removing the shops outside the Municipal limits was tried in Salem and proved a miserable failure. Better results cannot be expected here.

5. In last year the Non-Cooperators tried their best to prevent renters from taking up toddy shops at the --- sales and threw all sorts of obstacles in the way of --- those who took shops ~~for~~ in working them, and as a further move two of the staunchest and foremost Non-Cooperators who were also Municipal councillors, Messrs. K. Sadasiva Rao, and M.Muhammad Sahib, moved and seconded a similar resolution in the council in October last, but that was not then accepted, and even when the Excise Advisory -- Committee sat in May last, the Chairman who was a ----- member did not even whisper a word of disapproval about the location of the shops within the Municipal limits. No reason has been shown as to why the councillors have changed their mind now. It is the same two gentlemen that have now proposed and seconded the resolution and that too at a time when sales of the toddy shops were about to commence and their motive can well be seen --- through.

6. The population of the Municipality according to the last census is 53,877. Of these, only 3,264 have signed the petition after persuasion by Mr. Sadashiva Rao and other Non-cooperators, and even among these some do not belong to the drinking classes, and some have signed only by proxy. The large labouring classes who are mostly interested in the location of shops have not been consulted and the council does not suggest how --- their want can be satisfied. The signatures do not in my opinion count for anything.

7. The resolution has been passed light heartedly -- and I cannot recommend its adoption. The fact that for the next lease the town toddy shops fetched Rs.55,620

as against Rs.18,660 of the current lease, even after the passing of the resolution by the council is an index of - the real attitude of the people in general.

Mangalore,
6th August 1922

Collector

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Extract from the Proceedings of the Mangalore Municipal Council, dated 26th July 1922.

PRESENT:—

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" U. Santhaya Kini avl
" V. C. Amin avl
" C. Purushotham Kamath avl B.A,
M. Kunhammu Sahib Bahadur
" A. Santhalva avl
" A. Rama Rao avl-

12. M. R. Ry K. Sadashiva Rao avl moved the following resolution.

"That all the toddy and arrack shops within the Municipal limits of the Town be abolished and that immediate steps be taken by the Council to move the authorities for the removal of the same.

Mr. H. Muhamed Sahib seconded the resolution. The resolution was carried by a Majority, two of the members present dissenting.

(True extract)

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Chairman M.C.

Rev Dept.

Removal of liquor shops outside the municipal limits of Mangalore.

Cir= 12885 J from the Board (Ex) Dtd 488 dtd 9-8-22

To under Secy.

Please see the Resolution of the Municipal Council, Mangalore on pp 6-7 Ct. and the Collector's and the Board's remarks thereon on pp 1-4 Ct. The Board considers that the adoption of Municipal Council's Resolution will only increase illicit consumption. In Go. 683 L-dtd 26-4-22 the Chairman of Municipal Councils were informed of the attitude of Govt in regard to the removal of liquor shops outside municipal limits. Subs for order whether the Chairman Municipal Council, Mangalore may be informed that the Govt. see no reason to modify their orders now.

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RD-1-9-22

The DO Ctr has given very good reasons

I agree with the Sec
Ord - no action
necessary

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To under Secy,

Draft order is subd for approval.

RB
6.9.22

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ORDER. No. 1657, dated 7. 9 1922

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The Government see no reason to modify their orders in G.O. No. 2686 Rev dt 5.12.21 communicated to Chairman, M.C. in G.O. No. 663 L.+R. dt 6.4.22.

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The Board of Rev (Sep. Reg.)

The Chairman, M.C.,

Mangalore

with reference to his letter R.P. 3864 dt 25.7.22

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